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ENVIRONMENTAL, DEMOGRAPHIC, AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC CORRELATES OF ACCESS TO IMPROVED SANITATION: EMPIRICAL EVIDENCE FROM PAPUA AND WEST PAPUA PROVINCES

(LINGKUNGAN, DEMOGRAFI, SOSIO-EKONOMI YANG BERKORELASI DENGAN AKSES KE FASILITAS SANITASI YANG LAYAK: BUKTI EMPIRIS DARI PROVINSI PAPUA DAN PROVINSI PAPUA BARAT)

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Abstrak

Provinsi Papua dan Papua Barat adalah dua di antara provinsi-provinsi di Indonesia yang masih kekurangan akses terhadap sanitasi yang layak. Oleh karena itu tulisan ini menyajikan hasil analisis faktor-faktor yang berhubungan dengan akses sanitasi meliputi lingkungan, demografi dan sosio-ekonomi di kedua provinsi tersebut. Data dari Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (MICS) 2011 dipakai untuk menentukan faktorfaktor lingkungan, demografi dan sosio-ekonomi yang berkorelasi dengan akses ke fasilitas sanitasi yang layak pada tingkat rumah tangga. Model-model regresi probit diaplikasikan pada data tersebut. Hasil analisis menunjukkan bahwa kecamatan, tempat tinggal, jenis dan lokasi sumber air rumah tangga, jumlah anggota rumah tangga, umur dan pendidikan kepala rumah tangga, dan tingkat kekayaan rumah tangga merupakan faktor-faktor yang berkorelasi secara signifikan dengan akses sanitasi layak. Hasil dari analisis memperkuat hasil penelitian sebelumnya dan lebih penting lagi, dapat dipakai sebagai bahan pembuatan kebijakan terutama di Provinsi Papua dan Provinsi Papua Barat.

Kata Kunci: Sanitasi Dasar, MICS, Regresi Probit, Efek Marginal, Disparitas

INTRODUCTION

Access to safe water and sanitation is key determinant in development outcomes across the life course (The Lancet, 2014), as lack of which is responsible for many

Abstract

Papua and West Papua provinces are two of many lagging provinces in Indonesia in terms of access to adequate sanitation. Hence, this paper aims to reveal determinants of access to improved sanitation by investigating the environmental, demographic, and socio-economic correlation in both provinces. Data from the 2011 Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (MICS) were used to determine the demographic and socio-economic correlates of households' access to improved sanitation facilities. Probit regression models were fitted to the data. The results suggest that district, place or residence, type and location of household water source, household size, age of household head, education of household head, and household wealth have significant correlation with access to improved sanitation. These corroborate previous findings and more importantly, it can be used to inform policy makers in Indonesia especially in Papua and West Papua Provinces.

Keywords: Basic Sanitation, MICS, Probit Regression, Marginal Effect, Inequality

episodes of diarrhoeal diseases and its subsequent mortalities (Fuller, Westphal, Kenney, & Eisenberg, 2015; Prüss-Ustün et al., 2014). Therefore, access to water and sanitation is a human right (Gleick, 1998; United Nations, 2010), as it significantly contribute to the development of human health.

It was reported that the world's target of Millennium Development Goal (MDG) for drinking water was met (WHO/UNICEF JMP, 2014). However, having access to improved water does not guarantee one from contracting water related diseases for several reasons. First, sufficient quantity of water is needed to flush faeces or to wash hands after defecation. Second, there is a possibility of recontamination by unhygienic practices (Freeman et al., 2014; Rufener, Mäusezahl, Mosler, & Weingartner, 2010). Third, lack of access to improved sanitation also increases the risk of contamination of drinking-water sources (Bain et al., 2014).

Globally, 2.5 billion people did not have access to an improved sanitation facility in 2012, and if the current trends coverage increase continues, then the MDG sanitation target will not be achieved (WHO/UNICEF JMP, 2014). In 2013, two of five Indonesian households still did not have access to improved sanitation facility, with varying coverage across provinces (NIHRD, 2013) owing to slow progress during the past two decades (Haryanto & Sutomo, 2012). The Government of Indonesia (GoI) targets acceleration of increasing coverage to achieve universal access to drinking-water and sanitation by 2019 through the Presidential Regulation No. 185 in 2014 (Government of Indonesia, 2014). Inequalities in access to improved sanitation related to location and socio-economic status of household in Indonesia (Prasetyoputra & Irianti, 2013) and increased pressure from increasing population size and density (Mara, Lane, Scott, & Trouba, 2010) also can be obstacles in achieving this target.

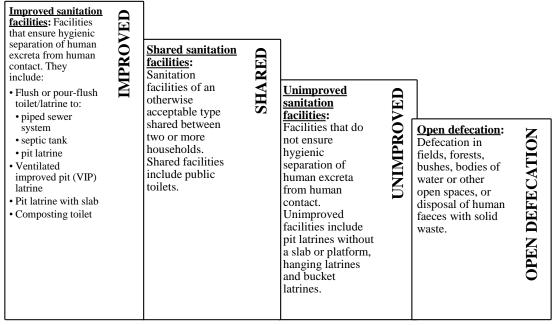
Many provinces in Eastern Indonesia are still laggards in development despite considerable progress (Booth, 2004; Hill, Resosudarmo, & Vidyattama, 2008). This is also true for sanitation coverage where Eastern Indonesia provinces are among the lowest (Patunru, 2015). This paper takes Papua and West Papua provinces as examples. Access to improved sanitation facility in Papua and West Papua in 2013 was still behind national average of 59.8 % (30.5% and 54.9%) (NIHRD, 2013). However, little is known about disparities of access to improved sanitation within those provinces. Studying the factors behind access to improved sanitation facilities will help directing intervention to increase access and alleviate disparities. Therefore, using the 2011 Indonesia Multiple Cluster Indicator Survey (henceforth 2011 Indonesia MICS), this paper addressed the demographic and socioeconomic correlates of access to improved sanitation facility. In doing so, bivariate and multivariate probit regression models were fitted to the data.

Globally, this study is not the first to investigate the demographic and socio-economic correlates of access to improved sanitation facility (see Blakely, Hales, Kieft, Wilson, and Woodward (2005); Prasetyoputra and Irianti (2013); Gross and Günther (2014)). However, our contribution is threefold: first, an underutilised regression model in Indonesia is used. Second, this study focuses on two, relatively lagged in development provinces, Papua and West Papua. Third, this study takes advantage of the internationally standardised MICS dataset. Four, this study also explored the demographic dimension of access to improved sanitation facility.

Cross-sectional data from the 2011 Indonesia MICS from Indonesia collected in 2011 were used for analysing the socio-demographic and economic correlates of access to improved sanitation facility in Papua Province and West Papua Province. The sample and survey methodology are explained elsewhere (Statistics Indonesia, 2013a, 2013b, 2014). The dataset has been de-identified by the UNICEF and Statistics Indonesia to preserve anonymity of respondents. Ethical review was not sought as such.

The 2011 Indonesia MICS included responses from 3000 households drawn from Papua Province and 2913 households drawn from West Papua Province. The surveys collected information on water and sanitation facilities, housing characteristics, ownership of assets, and socio-demographic characteristics of household head which are the main interests this study. A total of 182 households (6.07%) were excluded from the Papua dataset and 231 households (7.93%) from the West Papua dataset using list wise deletion (Dong & Peng, 2013).

The only dependent variable in this study is access to improved sanitation facilities. It is defined as facilities that prevent contact of human excreta with human (WHO/UNICEF JMP, 2006). The Joint Monitoring Programme (JMP) between the World Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nations Children Fund proposed a classification of sanitation ladder based on health outcomes for the purpose of monitoring (WHO/UNICEF JMP, 2006, 2008).



Note: Shared or public facilities are not considered as improved. *Source*: Adapted from WHO/UNICEF JMP (2008: 8).

Figure 1. Classification of sanitation facility: The Sanitation Ladder

Figure 1 shows a more detailed classification of sanitation facilities, where the four categories of sanitation facility (from best to worst) are improved, shared, unimproved, and open defecation (no facility at all). For this study, the four categories were reduced to two categories where open defecation, shared facility and unimproved facility were grouped as unimproved facility (coded 0) while improved facility stands on its own (coded 1). There were two grounds behind this grouping. First, the small sample size of the 2011 Indonesia MICS data limits the power of each categories of explanatory variables. Second, quality of shared sanitation varies (Mazeau, Reed, Sansom, & Scott, 2014). Therefore, the last reason, shared sanitation still poses increased odds of diarrhoea compared to individual household sanitation (Fuller, Clasen, Heijnen, & Eisenberg, 2014; Heijnen et al., 2014).

The explanatory variables – comprising three main groups (spatial, environmental, socio-demographic, and economic variables) – were carefully chosen by examination of statistical significance (i.e. at the 5% level of significance) and existing literature (Hosmer, Lemeshow, & Sturdivant, 2013). Those variables are explained in more details in the subsequent section.

¹Kaimana Regency was chosen as the referent category due to its lowest share of households with access to improved sanitation facility. It is worth noting that changing the referent category of Previous studies have shown that there are geographic disparities of access to improved sanitation facilities across provinces and between urban areas and rural areas (Ghosh & Cairncross, 2014; Prasetyoputra & Irianti, 2013; Pullan, Freeman, Gething, & Brooker, 2014; Rheingans, Anderson, Luyendijk, & Cumming, 2014). Hence, the spatial variables included in this study were: district (1, Merauke Regency; 2, Jayawijaya Regency; 3, Biak Numfor Regency; 4, Kaimana¹ Regency [referent category]; 5, Manokwari Regency; 6, Sorong Regency) and place of residence (1, urban area [referent category]; 2, rural area).

Sufficient quantity of domestic water supply is needed for hygiene purposes as lack of which can lead to poor hygiene practices (Howard & Bartram, 2003). The 2011 MICS, however, did not collect data on water quantity at the household level. Hence, type of water source and location of water source were used as proxies for water quantity. Previous studies have demonstrated that households who sourced their drinking water from an improved source are more likely to use improved sanitation when defecation (Hunter, MacDonald, & Carter, 2010; Prasetyoputra & Irianti, 2013). Another study by Irianti, Saputro, Sasimartoyo, Prasetyoputra, and Kurniasih (2014) found that households that rely on improved water sources use higher quantities of water

District would not lead to changes in the coefficients of other covariates.

for all household purposes than those that rely on unimproved water sources. Moreover, the same study demonstrated that households that obtain their water from sources located not in their premises use less water, on average, compared to those that have water sources close by, implying a time cost in collecting water (Irianti, et al., 2014).

For the reasons above, the environmental factors in this study were main water source for other household purposes (0, unimproved; 1, improved) and location of that water source (0, water source located on premises; 1, water source located elsewhere). To prevent perfect collinearity, those two variables were combined (interaction) resulting in a four category variable (1, improved water + on premise; 2, unimproved water + on premise; 3, improved water + located elsewhere; and 4, unimproved water + located elsewhere).

Demographic factors such as age and household size have been shown to be associated with water and sanitation (Francisco, 2014; Gross & Günther, 2014; Jenkins & Cairncross, 2010; Jenkins & Scott, 2007; Wright & Gundry, 2009). In this study, variables intended to represent demographic characteristics of the households were household size (number of household members of any age – in discrete form), age of household head (in years), squared age of household head, ethnicity of household head (1, Papuan [referent category]; 2, Javanese; 3, other ethnicity), and household head is a migrant (0, no [referent category]; 1, yes).

Socio-economic position (SEP) of household plays an important role in household's ability to achieve better health status. Poverty hinders access to better sanitation, while wealth enables it. The higher the affluence of the household, the more likely it uses improved sanitation facility (Adams, Boateng, & Amoyaw, 2015; Blakely, et al., 2005; Prasetyoputra & Irianti, 2013). As such, in this study, education of household head and wealth of household were used as indicators of SEP.

The first indicator of SEP in this study is highest educational attainment of household head (1, no formal education [referent category]; 2, primary school; 3, junior high school; 4, senior high school or higher). Education has been widely used as an indicator of SES (Oakes & Kaufman, 2006). It has been demonstrated that households headed by a more educated person have higher odds of accessing improved sanitation facility (Prasetyoputra & Irianti, 2013). The second indicator of SES is wealth index in the form of standardised scores. This indicator has been commonly used in previous studies (Blakely, et al., 2005; Howe et al., 2012; Vyas & Kumaranayake, 2006). The details on the construction of wealth index can be seen in the Econometric Analyses section.

The data analysis consists of two parts, first, construction of a new set of wealth index scores, and second, regression analysis. However, prior to the aforementioned analyses, a list wise deletion was performed to handle the missing values (Dong & Peng, 2013). This method was chosen instead of more sophisticated methods (for instance, multiple imputation of missing values (see Royston (2004)) due to presumably insignificant bias emanating from the small number of missing values in the 2011 Indonesia MICS datasets.

A new set of wealth index scores was calculated because the existing wealth index scores in MICS already included sanitation facility as one of the components (Statistics Indonesia, 2013a, 2013b) and therefore such variable must be excluded to prevent redundancy. The index was constructed from 19 variables categorised into ownership of assets² and housing variables³. The standardised scores were obtained by employing polychoric principal component analysis (PCA)⁴ which can take into account ordinal form of variables (Kolenikov & Angeles, 2004, 2009). The wealth index had a polychoric correlation coefficient (ρ) of 0.1697 and the first component explained 45.73 per cent of the variance.

The outcome variable is in binary form, hence, due to several violations of using OLS method on a limited dependent variable (Hill, Griffiths, & Lim, 2011), the choice of statistical model comes down to probit regression model (PRM) or logistic regression model (LRM). In this study, the former is preferred over the latter for three reasons. First, when the occurrence of the outcome is rare, the odds ratio (OR) from the LRM approximates risk. However, as the outcome gets more common, the OR deviates from risk resulting of an overestimation of the association between the explanatory variable and the outcome variable (Sainani,

² Assets comprise radio, television, fridge, cable television, watch, mobile phone, motorcycle, land, livestock, mosquito bed net, and bicycle/cart.

³ Housing variables are tenure, number of rooms used for sleeping, occupancy density, material of wall, material of floor, material of roof, type of cooking fuel, and access to electricity.

⁴ Polychoric PCA was executed using the 'POLYCHORICPCA' command in STATA (Kolenikov & Angeles, 2004).

2011). In this case, almost half of the household reported using improved sanitation facility for defecation. Second, a constant change of in the odds does not correspond to a constant change in the probability, and hence the probabilities from probit regression are more meaningful to interpret (Long & Freese, 2014). Third, PRM has been widely used in global literature (see Francisco (2014); Gross and Günther (2014)).

The probit model specifies the conditional probability as

$$P = \phi(x'\beta) = \int_{-\infty}^{x'\beta} \phi(z) dz, \qquad (Eq. 1)$$

where $\phi(.)$ is the standard normal cumulative distribution function (cdf), with derivative $\phi(z) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-z^2}{2}\right)$, which is the standard normal density function (Cameron & Trivedi, 2005). The probit MLE first-order conditions are that

$$\sum_{i=1}^N w_i \big(y_i - \varphi(x_i'\beta) \big) x_i = 0, \qquad (Eq.\ 2)$$

where, unlike the logit model, the weight $w_i = \frac{\phi(x'_i)}{[\phi(x'_i\beta)(1 - \phi(x'_i\beta))]}$ varies across observations (Cameron & Trivedi, 2005). Therefore, the PRM of access to improved sanitation can be specified as

$$p = P[IMPSANIT$$
(Eq.3)

$$\leq \beta_1 + \beta_2 EXPVAR1$$

$$+ \delta_1 DUMMY1 + \cdots]$$

$$= \varphi(\beta_1 + \beta_2 EXPVAR1$$

$$+ \delta_1 DUMMY1 + \cdots)$$

where IMPSANIT denotes access to improved sanitation, EXPVAR denotes continuous/discrete explanatory variables and DUMMY denotes dummy explanatory variables.

The first stage of the regression analyses was the bivariate regression of each potential explanatory variable. Variables that were statistically significant or have substantial importance albeit insignificant were included in the final multivariate PRM. Statistical significance was evaluated at p< 0.05, but additional markers were added to variables that are significant at p< 0.001. Moreover, survey design for the dataset was declared before the regressions (Kreuter & Valliant,

2007). Also, those variables were examined for severe collinearity (see Hill et al. (2011) for the impact of severe collinearity), which is when the value of variance inflating factor (VIF) exceeds 10 (Chatterjee & Hadi, 2012; Gujarati, 2004). The VIFs were examine using unweighted regression.

The coefficients from PRM cannot be directly interpreted. As such, marginal average effects (AME) were computed using 'MARGINS' command (Long & Freese, 2014) along with their 95 per cent confidence intervals (95% CI) to obtain the probabilities based on the explanatory variables. All of the analyses were performed using Intercooled STATA version 13.1 (StataCorp, 2013).

FACTORS CORRELATES OF ACCESS TO IMPROVED SANITATION

Table 1 shows simple summary statistics and VIF of variables selected for the final model. The table shows that an estimated 52.70 per cent (95% CI: 48.87, 56.53) of households have access to improved sanitation facilities. Also, the mean VIF of the final model was 3.78, and none of the explanatory variables had VIF of over 10.

Regarding district of residence, the majority of sampled households live in Manokwari Regency (28.41%) while the least households live in Kaimana Regency (7.65%). As for the place of residence, two-thirds of the sample households live in the rural areas⁵ while the rest lives in urban areas.

The only environmental variable was an interaction between water source for all household purposes and location of that water source. It was estimated that households predominantly use improved water located on their premises (53.39%), followed by use of unimproved water located outside (20.69%), unimproved on-premise water source (14.01%), and improved water located elsewhere (11.91%).

There were four demographic factors used in the analysis, namely number of persons in the household (household size), the average age of household head, ethnicity of household head, and migration status of the household head. The sampled household has an average of four members. Regarding age, the average age of household head is 43 years. As for ethnicity, the majority of head of household are Papuan (49.26%), followed by Javanese (29.68%), and other ethnicities

⁵ This may cause overrepresentation of rural households. The authors thank anonymous reviewer for pointing this out.

(21.06%). Lastly, with regard to migration, less than half of head of household are migrant (45.18%).

The socio-economic factors in this study were education of household head and household wealth. With regard to education, more than two fifths of household heads are junior high school graduates (42.29%), followed by primary school graduates (33.23), and senior high school graduates (14.41%). While one tenth of household heads has no formal education at all. Wealth index scores used as indicator of household wealth is averaged at 0.20.

Table 1. Descriptive statistics for selected	l variables and their VIFs
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<i>N</i> = 5500	Categories	Weighted mean/per cent	VIF*		
Outcome variable					
Access to improved sanitation facility	No (Ref.)	47.30	N.A.		
	Yes	52.70	N.A.		
Spatial variables					
District	Kaimana (Ref.)	7.65	N.A.		
	Jayawijaya	14.38	2.46		
	Biak Numfor	14.58	2.16		
	Merauke	22.16	2.16		
	Manokwari	28.41	2.04		
	Sorong	12.82	2.38		
Place of residence	Urban area (Ref.)	32.28	N.A.		
	Rural area	67.72	4.71		
Environmental variables					
Interaction variable	Improved water + located on premise	53.39	N.A.		
	(Ref.)				
	Unimproved water + located on	14.01	1.31		
	premise				
	Improved water + located elsewhere	11.91	1.33		
	Unimproved water + located elsewhere	20.69	2.33		
Demographic factors					
Household size (in persons)	N.A.	4.17	5.10		
Age of household head (in years)	N.A.	43.41	8.92		
Ethnicity of household head	Papuan (Ref.)	49.26	N.A.		
	Javanese	29.68	6.36		
	Other ethnicity	21.06	5.08		
Household head is a migrant	No (Ref.)	54.82	N.A.		
	Yes	45.18	8.57		
Socio-Economic Position					
Highest education of household head	No formal education (Ref.)	10.06	N.A.		
	Primary school	33.23	3.46		
	Junior high school	42.29	4.34		
	Senior high school or higher	14.41	2.17		
Wealth index score	N.A.	0.20	3.68		

Source: Author's calculation of the 2011 Indonesia MICS

Spatial Correlates

The final model was highly statistically significant $(F_{(18,199)} = 41.20; \text{ p} < 0.001)$. Table 2 presents the probit coefficients from the bivariate and multivariate probit regressions along with their 95 per cent CI.

The simple relationship between district and access to improved sanitation facility was statistically significant (p<0.001) with varying magnitude and direction of the coefficients. In the multivariate model, district was still statistically significant (p<0.001). Moreover, the simple association between being located in a rural area (compared to living in urban area) and access to improved sanitation facility was negative and statistically significant (p<0.001). The direction of this relationship, however, changed into a positive one and still statistically significant (p<0.001).

Environmental Correlates

The simple correlation between type of water source for all household purpose and location and access to improved sanitation facility was statistically significant (p<0.001) with all categories statistically different from the referent category (water source is improved and located on premise). In the multivariate model, the association was still statistically significant (p < 0.001). Compared to referent households, households who sourced their water from an improved source but located elsewhere (p = 0.002) and households who sourced their water from an unimproved source located elsewhere (p < 0.001) were negatively associated with access to improved sanitation facility. However, access to improved sanitation for households who sourced their water from an unimproved water located on premise was not statistically different from referent households (p = 0.235).

Demographic Correlates

The demographic factors in this study were household size, age of household head, ethnicity of household

head, and migrant status of household head. Household size was found to be statistically significant (p < 0.001) and the simple relationship with access to improved sanitation facility was positive. This was also true for the adjusted association (p < 0.001). Likewise, age of household head was also found to be statistically significant (p < 0.001) and the simple association with access to improved sanitation was positive. This relationship holds in when other covariates were included in the final model (p < 0.001).

Moreover, ethnicity of household head was found to be statistically associated with differences in access to improved sanitation facility in the simple regression (p< 0.001), but not in the final multivariate model (p = 0.5692). Lastly, households headed by a migrant were found to be positively and significantly correlated (p< 0.001) with access to improved sanitation facility. This correlation, however, became statistically insignificant when other covariates were taken into account (p = 0.9594).

Socio-Economic Correlates

The socio-economic factors in this study were highest educational attainment of household head and household wealth. In the simple regression, compared to households headed by a non-educated person, households headed by a primary school graduate (p< 0.001), households headed by junior high school graduate (p<0.001), and households headed by a senior high school graduate or higher were found to be positively associated with access to improved sanitation facility. There was also a significant and positive gradient in the probability of access to improved sanitation facility. In the final multivariate model, the positive association and gradient remained statistically significant (p<0.001). Lastly, increases in wealth index score was found to be statistically related (p<0.001) to access to improved sanitation facility. This relationship holds (p<0.001) when other covariates were included in the final multivariate model.

¥/	Sin	Simple Probit Regression					Multivariate Probit Regression				
Variables β^1			95	% (CI	β²		95% CI			
Spatial variables											
District (Ref.: Kaimana)											
Jayawijaya	-0.6622	**	-1.0756	,	-0.2487	0.0631		-0.2692	,	0.3953	
Biak Numfor	0.7988	***	0.5119	,	1.0858	0.6343	***	0.3120	,	0.9567	
Merauke	0.5176	***	0.2408	,	0.7945	0.3537	***	0.0703	,	0.6370	
Manokwari	0.2657		-0.0268	,	0.5582	-0.1344	*	-0.3931	,	0.1242	
Sorong	0.1221	**	-0.1531	,	0.3972	-0.2951	***	-0.5485	,	-0.0416	
Place of residence (Ref.: Urban area)											
Rural area	-0.5757	***	-0.7809	,	-0.3705	0.3385	***	0.1468	,	0.5301	
Environmental variable											
Interaction variable											
(Ref.: Improved water + located on premise)											
Unimproved water + located on premise	-0.3744	***	-0.5623	,	-0.1865	-0.1042		-0.2818	,	0.0735	
Improved water + located elsewhere	-0.8117	***	-1.0107	,	-0.6127	-0.3545	***	-0.5590	,	-0.1500	
Unimproved water + located elsewhere	-1.2174	***	-1.4288	,	-1.0061	-0.4096	***	-0.6264	,	-0.1928	

Table 2. Coefficients from	Simple and Multivariate P	robit Regressions

Ref.: Referent category; N.A.: Not applicable; * $p \le 0.05$; ** $p \le 0.01$; *** $p \le 0.001$; ¹ crude coefficients; ² adjusted coefficients. Author's calculation of the 2011 Indonesia MICS Notes :

Source :

Table 2. (continued)

	Simple	Multivariate Probit Regression								
Variables	β ¹		95% CI			β ²		95% CI		
Demographic factors										
Household size (in persons)	0.0475 ***	0.0268	3,	0.0683	0.0400	**	0.0143	,	0.0658	
Age of household head (in years)	0.0078 ***	0.0039	Э,	0.0117	0.0133	***	0.0087	,	0.0179	
Ethnicity of household head (Ref.: Papuan)										
Javanese	0.7259 ***	0.553	7,	0.8981	0.0914		-0.2186	,	0.4014	
Other ethnicity	0.8268 ***	0.6440	5,	1.0090	0.0009		-0.2978	,	0.2997	
Household head is a migrant (Ref.: No)										
Yes	0.6894 ***	0.5413	3,	0.8376	0.0065		-0.2433	,	0.2562	
Socio-economic factors										
Highest education of household head (Ref: No formal education)										
Primary school	0.7690 ***	0.5784	1,	0.9596	0.1782		-0.0346	,	0.3910	
Junior high school	1.1320 ***	0.9454	1,	1.3186	0.3242	**	0.1165	,	0.5320	
Senior high school or higher	1.5356 ***	1.2962	2,	1.7750	0.5339	***	0.2812	,	0.7865	
Wealth index score	0.5040 ***	0.4584	1,	0.5496	0.4868	***	0.4300	,	0.5436	

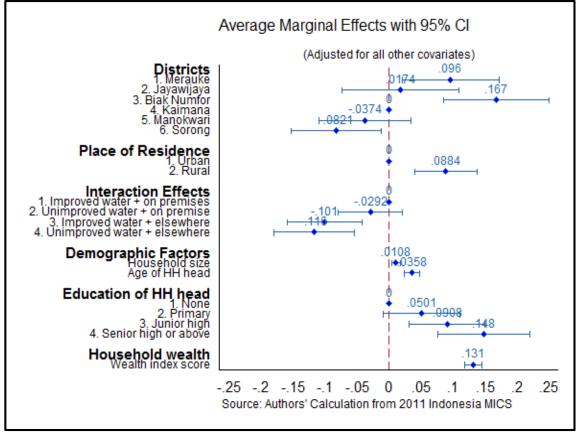
Notes : Ref.: Referent category; N.A.: Not applicable; * $p \le 0.05$; ** $p \le 0.01$; *** $p \le 0.001$; ¹ crude coefficients; ² adjusted coefficients.

Source : Author's calculation of the 2011 Indonesia MICS

SPATIAL INEQUALITIES IN ACCESS TO IMPROVED SANITATION

This study has identified the environmental, demographic, and socio-economic correlates of use of improved latrine at household level. Seven of the nine

explanatory variables were found to be statistically associated with households' access to improved sanitation facility. Figure 2 presents the AMEs (and 95% CI) of variables significant at the 5 per cent level of significance. A category is significant if the line of the 95 per cent CIs does not intersect the zero line.



Note: Ethnicity of household head and migrantship of household head were omitted from the graph as they were not statistically significant.

Figure 2. Average Marginal Effects from the Final Regression Model

This study found indication of spatial disparities both across districts and between urban and rural areas. Access of improved sanitation facility in three of five districts was found to be significantly different from the referent district, Kaimana Regency. The AMEs ranged from 9.60 to 17.80 per cent. This indicates spatial disparities of access to improved sanitation facilities. This is consistent with extant scholarship that demonstrated evidence of geographical disparities of access to improved sanitation facility in Indonesia (Irianti, et al., 2014; Prasetyoputra & Irianti, 2013), India (Ghosh & Cairncross, 2014), and Ghana (Adams, et al., 2015).

As for place of residence, households living in rural areas have 8.84 (95% CI: 3.98, 13.69) per cent higher probability of having access to improved sanitation

facility than their urban counterparts (despite being otherwise in the simple regression). This is different from the findings of existing studies revealing urban advantage in access to improved sanitation (Ghosh & Cairncross, 2014; National Research Council, 2003; Prasetyoputra & Irianti, 2013). Moreover, Adams, et al. (2015) also found conflicting evidence. They found that the less developed the area is, the less the likelihood of a household living in it in accessing improved sanitation facility. In this case, households living in country sides, towns, and small cities were found to have lower likelihood in accessing improved latrines. One possible reason for this anomaly of direction the AME of rural area is that the sample is only representative for Papua and West Papua. Another is that the urban area needs to be disaggregated into poor urban and affluent urban. Last reason is that factors other than place of residence explain access to improved sanitation more.

ENVIRONMENTAL CORRELATES OF ACCESS TO IMPROVED SANITATION

The referent category for the interaction between water source of all household purposes and its location was improved water located on premise. Households with unimproved water located on premise were found to have 2.92 per cent (95% CI: -7.93, 2.08) lower probability of having access to improved sanitation facility than referent households. This association, however, was not statistically significant. Moreover, households with improved water located elsewhere were found to have 10.10 per cent less (95% CI: 4.20, 15.90) likelihood of having access to improved sanitation facility than referent households. Lastly, households with unimproved water located elsewhere were found to have 11.6 per cent lower (95% CI: 5.36, 17.90) probability of having access to improved sanitation facility than the referent category.

This confirms previous studies that find a positive relationship between improved drinking water source and probability of having access to improved sanitation facility (Adams, et al., 2015; Jenkins & Cairncross, 2010; Prasetyoputra & Irianti, 2013). Moreover, the study by Adams, et al. (2015) also found a negative relationship between time needed to reach water source and access to improved sanitation facility. The farther the distance of the water source, the less water one can fetch, and hence the lower the probability of using improved sanitation facility for defecation (Prasetyoputra & Irianti, 2013).

DEMOGRAPHIC CORRELATES OF ACCESS TO IMPROVED SANITATION

The first of the two demographic factors was household size. For every 10 person increase in number of household members, the probability of having access to improved sanitation facility increases by 1.08 per cent (95% CI: 0.38, 1.77). This is different from the finding of the research by Adams, et al. (2015) where number

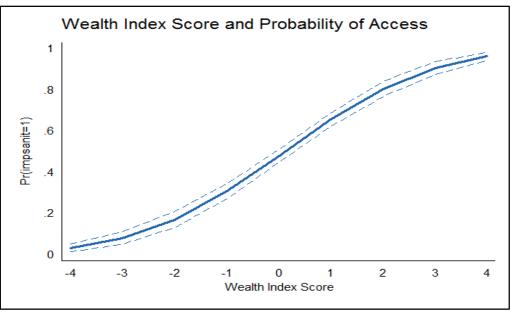
of household members was found to be negatively related with access to improved sanitation facility. This relationship, however, was not statistically significant when other factors were included in the final model.

The other demographic factor was age of household head. For every 10-year increase in the age of head of household, the probability of having access to improved sanitation facility increases by 3.58 per cent (95% CI: 2.36, 4.81). This is consistent with the study done by Gross and Günther (2014) where they found a positive and statistically significant relationship between age of household head and probability of latrine ownership.

SOCIO-ECONOMIC INEQUALITIES IN ACCESS TO IMPROVED SANITATION

The findings of this study revealed that households headed by a person who has primary education have 5.01 per cent (95% CI: -0.97, 10.99) higher probability compared to referent households. However, this association was not statistically significant. Moreover, households headed by a person who has junior high education have 9.08 per cent (95% CI: 3.19, 14.98) higher probability compared to referent households. Furthermore, households headed by a person who has senior high education or higher have 14.80 per cent (95% CI: 7.63, 21.94) higher probability compared to referent households. This shows an increasing likelihood of accessing improved sanitation facility as educational attainment of household head gets higher. This is consistent with studies by Prasetyoputra and Irianti (2013) and Tiwari and Nayak (2013) that found positive relationship between education and access to improved sanitation facility. One possible explanation for this is that people with higher educational status have more knowledge of health risks associated with inadequate sanitation (Adams, et al., 2015; Kirigia & Kainyu, 2000).

Furthermore, household wealth was found to be positively associated with ownership of improved sanitation facility. For every 1 unit increase in wealth index score, the probability of having access to improved sanitation facility increases by 13.10 per cent (95% CI: 11.79, 14.43).



Note: Adjusted for all other covariates.

Figure 3. Household Wealth and Access to Improved Sanitation

Figure 3 shows the relationship between units of wealth index score and probability of having access to improved sanitation facility depicting a clearer positive relationship between those variables. This finding confirms that of existing scholarship that found positive relationship between household wealth and ownership of improved latrine in Indonesia (Irianti, et al., 2014; Prasetyoputra & Irianti, 2013), Ghana (Adams, et al., 2015), Benin (Gross & Günther, 2014), and in many countries (Blakely, et al., 2005).

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Based on a recent national survey in 2013, Papua Province had the highest burden of diarrhoea. The period prevalence rate in that province was 14.3 %, which is twofold of the national rate (NIHRD, 2013). Conversely, the period prevalence rate in West Papua Province is 5.2 % which is lower than the national rate (NIHRD, 2013). Nonetheless, these burden of diarrhoea are preventable and increasing access to adequate sanitation facilities is one way to reduce it.

Educational status of household head was found to be positively associated with probability of accessing improved sanitation facility. Hence, improving educational attainment of the people of West Papua and Papua Provinces could, in the long run, improve people's access to improved sanitation facilities. Furthermore, wealth status of households was also found to be positively correlated with probability of having improved latrines. As such, increasing employment opportunities also can be done to improve people's economic livelihood such that they will be able to afford better sanitation facilities. These possible pathways of improving access implies that a concerted effort from many stakeholders is needed

STUDY LIMITATIONS

There are several limitations to this study. First, there may still be unobserved confounding due to potential confounders not collected by the survey. Second, there is a possibility of overrepresentation of households living in rural areas. However, the effect of this cannot be determined in this study. Third, the data are representative only for Papua Province and West Papua Province, not Indonesia. These limitations could not be corrected for in this paper. Future studies using longitudinal data and experimental designs to examine changes in demographic characteristics and improved sanitation facility ownership are recommended.

CONCLUSION

To the best of the authors' knowledge, this is the first study that analysed the 2011 Indonesia MICS data to assess the demographic and socio-economic correlates of access to improved sanitation facility in Papua Province and West Papua Province. The results suggest that the significant demographic correlates were household size and age of household head. While the significant socio-economic correlates were highest education attained by head of household and household wealth. The findings also suggest spatial disparities across districts and in terms of place of residence showing unusual rural advantage. Furthermore, type of water source for other household purposes and location of that water source also determines the probability of access to improved sanitation facility. These findings should be taken into account in the policy making process related to Papua and West Papua Province by either the national or local government.

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